

## Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice Meeting Minutes

## August 13, 2008

Approved: November 19, 2008

The official business meeting of the Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice was held at the Dumbarton Library, located at 6800 Staples Mill Road, Richmond, Virginia 23228-4930.

#### **Committee Members Present**

Kevin Appel

Jane Brown, Proxy for Anthony Conyers

Ken Bynum

Cindy Cave, Proxy for Dr. Cannaday, Jr.

The Hon. Warner D. (Dave) Chapman

Mark Cranfill

Peter Feddo

Lynette Greenfield, Proxy for Mr. Barry Green

Eileen Grey

Andrew Jennings

**Charles Martin** 

The Hon. William Roscoe Reynolds

Antonio Sutton

Wayne Thomas

Anthony Triplin

Mark Turnbull

Ruby G. Turner

Gina E. Wood

### **Committee Members Not Present**

Benjamin Andrews

The Hon. Robert B. Bell

Roberto Calderon

The Hon. Jerrauld Jones

Malcolm King for Janet Lung, Proxy for Dr. Reinhard

Dr. Jay W. Malcan

Chief Rodney D. Monroe

The Hon. Charles Phelps

The Hon. Linda T. Puller

Robert E. Shepherd, Jr.

The Hon. Michael W. Stewart

## **DCJS Staff Present**

Demian Futterman

Tracey Jenkins

Laurel Marks

Ashaki McNeil

**Curtis Stevens** 

Roz Trent

### I. Welcome, Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mr. Charles Martin. All present introduced themselves to the group.

## II. Review and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Martin asked if there were any comments, additions or deletions to be made to the minutes from the January 30, 2008, and April 16, 2008, meetings of the ACJJ. Mr. Mark Cranfill made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

#### III. Data Presentation

Ms. Tracey Jenkins presented information from the 2008 Annie E. Casey's "Kid's Count" databook identifying trends in some of the risk areas specific to Virginia.

## IV. Compliance Monitoring Report

Mr. Curtis Stevens reported on the site visits completed to date as well as those site visits scheduled for the remainder of the year, to ensure facilities are in compliance.

#### V. Review of Recommendations of Grants Subcommittee

The Grants Subcommittee met prior to the ACJJ meeting and reviewed one JABG continuation grant summary from the University of Virginia. A recommendation was made to fund as requested. A request was made by the Grants Subcommittee that DCJS staff contact the Project Director and inquire whether the project is attempting to expand the targeted geographic area beyond the initial training sites.

There were five Title II Intervention continuation summaries reviewed by the Grants Subcommittee. The following applicants were recommended funding:

- City of Hampton;
- Loudoun County;
- City of Richmond: and
- DCJS.

The project between the Apple Valley Mediation Network, Inc. and Shenandoah County was recommended for denial of funding due to a lack of referrals throughout the program year.

A suggestion was made by a committee member to report the positive dynamics of grant programs to be shared with all subgrantees. A quarterly newsletter was offered as a possible method to provide this information. Staff will explore ways to share this information.

Mr. Wayne Thomas made a motion that the recommendations of the Grants Subcommittee be approved by the Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded and approved with one abstention: Mr. Antonio Sutton from the DCJS JJDP continuation grant.

## VI. Report on OJJDP Programmatic Monitoring Visit

Mr. Demian Futterman reported on the OJJDP Programmatic Monitoring Visit which took place July 15-17, 2008. On July 15<sup>th</sup>, DCJS staff and Mr. Charles Martin met with OJJDP monitors at the Henrico Court Services Unit for a presentation by staff from a collaborative partnership between Henrico Mental Health Services and the Henrico CSU. This program, Multisystemic Therapy (MST), is funded by the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) program.

On July 16<sup>th</sup>, DCJS staff and OJJDP staff traveled to the City of Newport News for a presentation of four programs funded by DCJS:

- **Title V** Newport News (Targeted Outreach Program)
- **Title II (Prevention)** City of Newport News (DMC)
- **JABG** City of Hampton ("P.S. It's A Girl Thing")
- **Title II (Intervention)** City of Newport News (Detention Alternative and Utilization Review Program)

The OJJDP staff stated that the Newport News Targeted Outreach Program would be recommended to OJJDP for consideration as a Model Program. In addition, the program would be highlighted in a report that goes to Congress and the US Deputy Attorney General.

The site visit concluded on July 17<sup>th</sup>, with OJJDP staff providing feedback to DCJS staff regarding their visit. Positive feedback was provided, and a report was sent by OJJDP to DCJS.

### VII. Reauthorization Update

Ms. Jenkins provided the committee with an update on the reauthorization of the JJDP Act. The Act was introduced as SB 3155 and increases the federal authorization levels for funding streams.

### VIII. New JABG Solicitation Proposal

DCJS received feedback that localities aren't able to take on projects that they must sustain. DCJS staff proposed an expansion of the JABG solicitation with a two-fold request:

- Offer funding for initiatives that will enhance/improve the system but not require ongoing funding. This will broaden the initiative from simply sustainability projects to projects that create system change. Examples of such projects were presented to the ACJJ and will be provided in the RFP. Localities will be allowed to decide which initiative best suits their community. The examples presented were:
  - Hiring a Juvenile Detention Alternative Coordinator (JDAI), to advocate for best practices from this Annie E. Casey initiative; or
  - An initiative that aims to implement best practices in the judicial system through NCJFCJ.
- 2. Offer a standard one-time special fund initiative, where localities or state agencies are permitted to apply for funds in one of the JABG purpose areas to such as:
  - Purchase equipment (EM/GPS or software upgrades);
  - Purchase needed supplies (drug/alcohol tests); or
  - Receive training.

One-time initiatives have been extremely well received in prior years, and the same reception is anticipated this year. The project period for one-times would be from January 1, 2009, through September 30, 2009, as that is when the money must be obligated or

returned to OJJDP. The project period for the systems change efforts would be calendar year 2009. Staff requested that the ACJJ approve this two-pronged strategy, and the ACJJ voted to do so.

Mr. Kevin Appel made a motion to adapt the proposed \$25,000 cap on one-time grants. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

## IX. Advisory Committee Member Activity Reports

Ms. Jane Brown invited those present to attend the "Coming Home: Building Reentry Capacity Through Community Collaboration" Town Hall Meeting on Norfolk Offender Reentry scheduled for September 18, 2008.

# IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.